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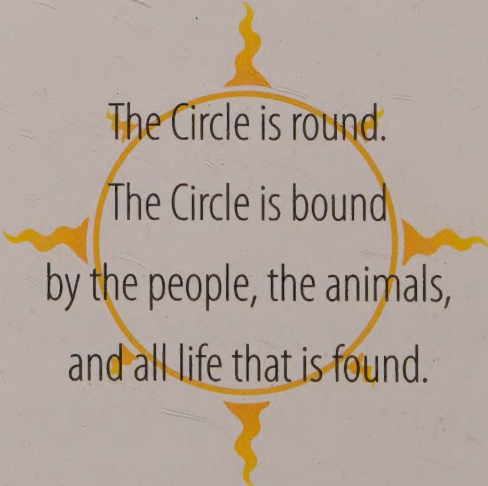


This book was written in celebration of the Earth, our home.



*It is dedicated to my inspirations without whom I would be empty;
my Hummingbird, Flower and Storm. Thank you for all of your love,
teachings and patience.*

Thunderbear ... you are gone but not forgotten.



The Circle is round.

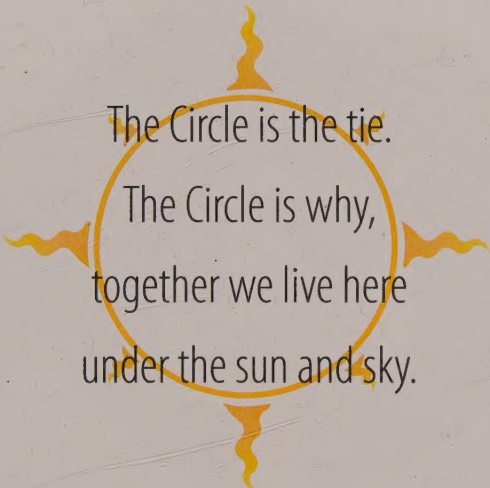
The Circle is bound
by the people, the animals,
and all life that is found.



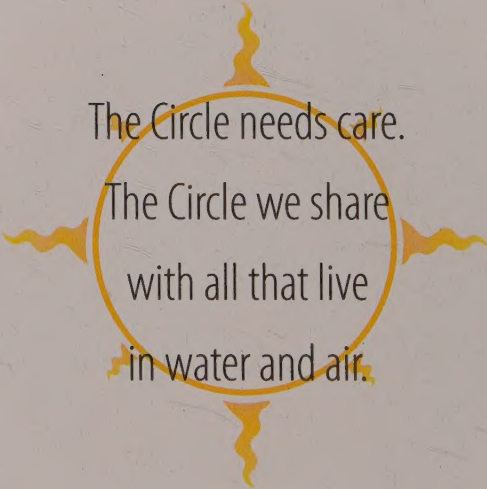
Vision



Existence



The Circle is the tie.
The Circle is why,
together we live here
under the sun and sky.



The Circle needs care.

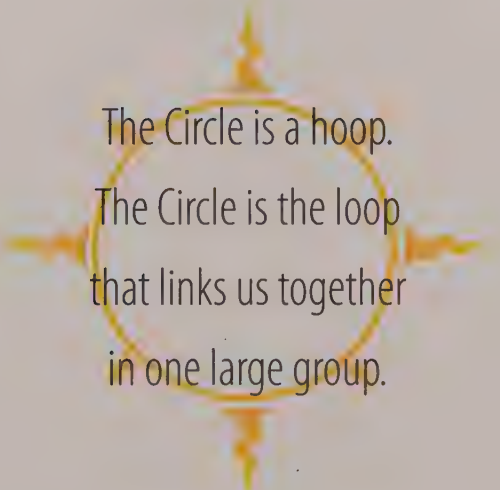
The Circle we share
with all that live
in water and air.



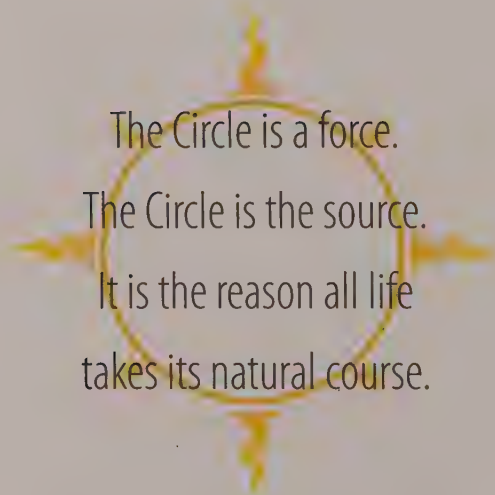
Dependence



Connection



The Circle is a hoop.
The Circle is the loop
that links us together
in one large group.



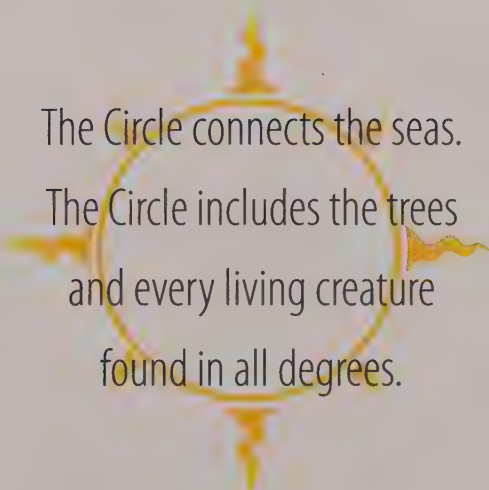
The Circle is a force.
The Circle is the source.
It is the reason all life
takes its natural course.



Seasons

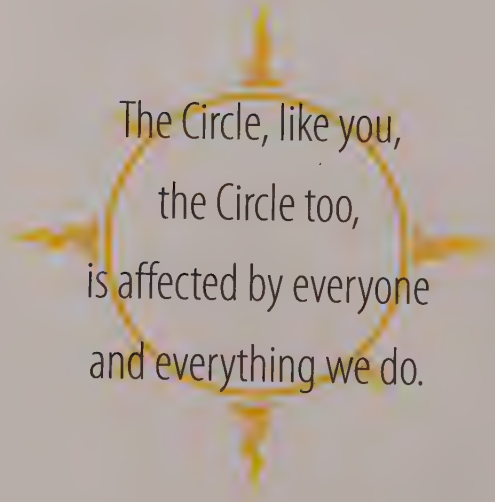


Harmony



The Circle connects the seas.

The Circle includes the trees
and every living creature
found in all degrees.



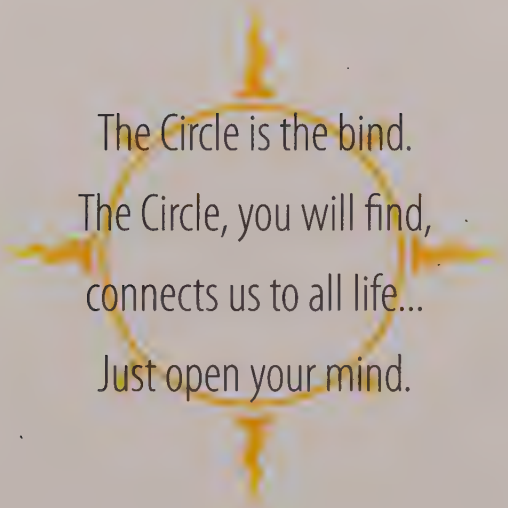
The Circle, like you,
the Circle too,
is affected by everyone
and everything we do.



Awareness



Stillness



The Circle is the bind.
The Circle, you will find,
connects us to all life...
Just open your mind.



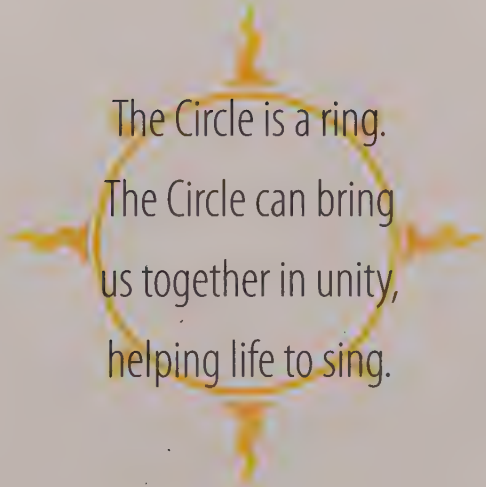
The Circle has sight.
The Circle is right!
We must love and respect,
not hate and fight.



Balance



Lullaby



The Circle is a ring.
The Circle can bring
us together in unity,
helping life to sing.



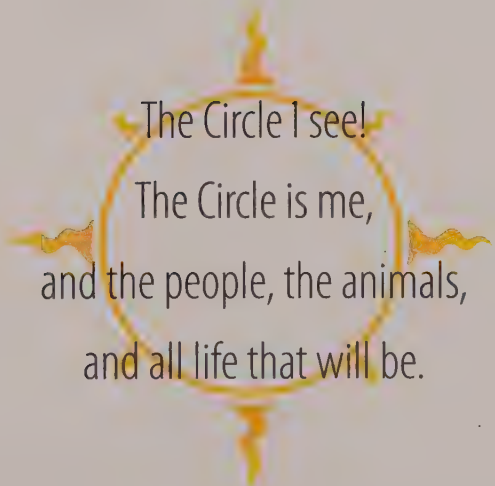
The Circle is wise.
The Circle cries,
that we look with our hearts
and not just our eyes.



Truth



Clarity



The Circle I see!
The Circle is me,
and the people, the animals,
and all life that will be.



Vision:

An eagle in the clouds during a sunset. Eagle is said to be the carrier of our dreams....

Existence:

The sun, moon and stars. A simple reminder of our existence in the universe.

Dependence:

Bear and salmon. A symbol of the dependence we share with each other.

Connection:

Turtle carries the endless circles of connection as a reminder of our relationship to each other.

Seasons:

Birch leaves reflect the turning of the seasons and the cycle of life.

Harmony:

Orca and the sea. This image signifies harmony within the family and with our environment.

Awareness:

The moon and snake. Both remind us that we must always shed old notions to make way for new understandings.

Stillness:

Winter's moon in the trees personifies stillness of mind which can bestow a level of peace.

Balance:

Hummingbird and the flower show us the importance of having balance in our lives and in our relationships with others.

Lullaby:

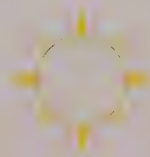
Loon on a lake during sunset, sings it's lullaby to remind us that life is a song. If we listen, we can live by it's harmony....

Truth:

Wolf in the northern lights, howling at the moon, tells us to look with our hearts to reveal a deeper truth and understanding.

Clarity:

The hand, when open, gives circumference.... It symbolizes that an open hand reflects an open heart and mind.



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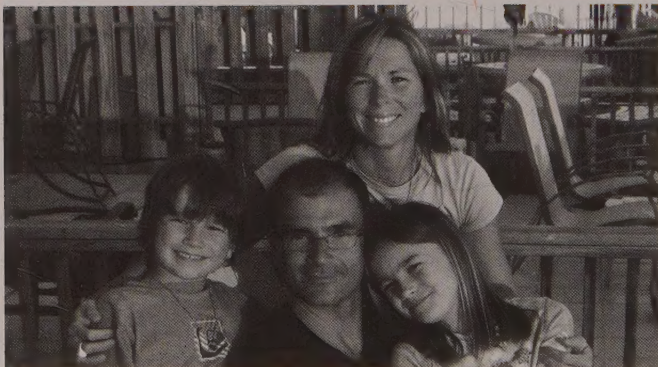
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The **Gain** family resides in Barrie, Ontario, Canada.
Our family is truly where recognition of the circle began....

This book was written to inspire a conscious awareness of all life.
I humbly hope that when reading ***the Circle***, simple pleasure and reflection can
be achieved with your children.

In this busy world, we are increasingly losing touch with the connection we all
share while rushing to exist. This book is a reminder to slow down and be mindful
of our actions and the impact they may have on the natural world.

Together, let's find the balance....
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